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**WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH**

**MARCH 2014**



Each year around the world, International Women's Day (IWD) is celebrated on March 8. Thousands of events occur not just on this day but throughout March to mark the economic, political and social achievements of women. Organizations, governments, charities, educational institutions, women's groups, corporations and the media celebrate the day.

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### Office of Global Women's Issues Department of State

The Secretary's Office of Global Women's Issues (S/GWI), headed by Ambassador Catherine M. Russell, seeks to ensure that women's issues are fully integrated in the formulation and conduct of U.S. foreign policy. The Office works to promote stability, peace, and development by empowering women politically, socially, and economically around the world.

Read More: <http://www.state.gov/s/gwi/index.htm>



### Women's History Month

**Bureau of International, Information Programs (IIP), Department of State**

IIP articles discuss topics ranging from volunteerism to profiles of women in politics

### Congressional Caucus for Women's Issues

<http://iipdigital.usembassy.gov/st/english/inbrief/2014/02/20140210292562.html#axzz2v4uT43dq>

### League of Women Voters

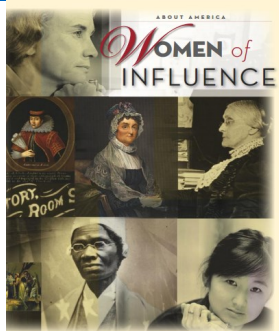
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## U.S. GOVERNMENT RESOURCES



### **Women of Influence** *IIP Book, Department of State*

This collection chronicles how 21 notable American women broke new ground, some by championing equal rights for all and others by their accomplishments in fields such as government, literature, and even in war.

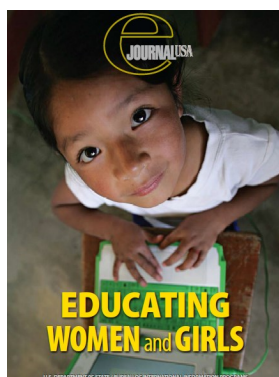
Read more: <http://iipdigital.usembassy.gov/st/english/>



### **Power Plays: Celebrating Women's Achievements** *eJournalUSA, Department of State*

In the United States, the ranks of women political candidates have been growing, slowly and steadily, for years. Increasingly, capable women are making names for themselves at the local, state and national levels. This issue focus on the achievement of women in the U.S.

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### **Educating Women and Girls** *eJournalUSA, Department of State*

Educating women and girls, in particular, yields profound social and economic benefits. Studies demonstrate that educating women and girls leads to lower infant and child mortality rates, lower maternal mortality rates, better educated children and increased participation by women in the workforce. Yet despite these benefits, in many countries females receive less schooling than males.

Read More: <http://iipdigital.usembassy.gov/st/english/>



### **Enterprising Women, Thriving Societies** *eJournalUSA, Department of State*

Policymakers and business experts have pitched entrepreneurship to women as a way to realize their aspirations and make a good living.

Read more: <http://iipdigital.usembassy.gov/st/english/publication/2012/03/20120301150120jezrdna0.1616993.html#ixzz2v59hqhD2>





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## ELIBRARYUSA RESOURCES



### **National Women's History Month (National Women's History Project)**

The National Women's History Project provides history of National Women's History Month in the U.S. and honors significant women in American history.

Read more: <http://www.nwhp.org/whm/index.php>



**Filmmakers Library Online**

Filmmakers Library Online features films about women's issues. This resource can be accessed at American Spaces in the Philippines. Click Browse Topics, then scroll to Women's Issues for a list of films. You can filter results by more specific subjects.

Read more: <http://elibraryusa.state.gov/databases/Filmmakers%20Library%20Online>



### **Women's History Photos (Smithsonian)**

Smithsonian's Flickr photostream features historic photographs of notable women in American history.

Link: <http://www.flickr.com/search/?w=25053835@N03&q=womensday&m=text>

### **Setting the Precedent: Four Women Who Excelled In Business (Smithsonian)**

The National Museum of American History offers an interactive online exhibition that profiles four women who set the precedent for women in the workplace.

Link: <http://amhistory.si.edu/archives/WIB-tour/mainMovie.html>

### **Women of Our Time (Smithsonian)**

The National Portrait Gallery has an online exhibition that highlights photographs and biographies of famous and influential American women.

Link: <http://www.npg.si.edu/cexh/woot/index.HTM>



eLibrary contains books covering women's role in American history. This resource can be accessed at American Spaces in the Philippines. Search "Women United States" to get a list of titles, then use the check boxes at the top of the results page to narrow your search.



## The Women's Suffrage Movement in the United States

A timeline showing some highlights of the march to equality in the U.S.

# Women's Suffrage in the United States

1776

Abigail Adams writes to her husband, future president John Adams, to "remember the ladies ... and be more generous and favourable to them than your ancestors."



1941

The U.S. enters World War II, and millions of women enter the workforce to keep America fighting.



1981

Sandra Day O'Connor is the first woman appointed to the Supreme Court, where she serves until 2006. Hers is often the deciding vote in major court decisions.



1848

Elizabeth Cady Stanton presents her Declaration of Sentiments at the first women's rights convention in Seneca Falls, New York. The declaration calls for equality with men.



1872

Susan B. Anthony is arrested for trying to vote in New York. She writes the draft of the 19th Amendment to the Constitution.

1920

The 19th Amendment is ratified, finally allowing women to vote. Women embrace their independence throughout the 1920s and '30s.

1963

The *Feminine Mystique* is published, a seminal work in launching the "second wave" of American feminism. Women begin demanding equal treatment in all aspects of life.

2008

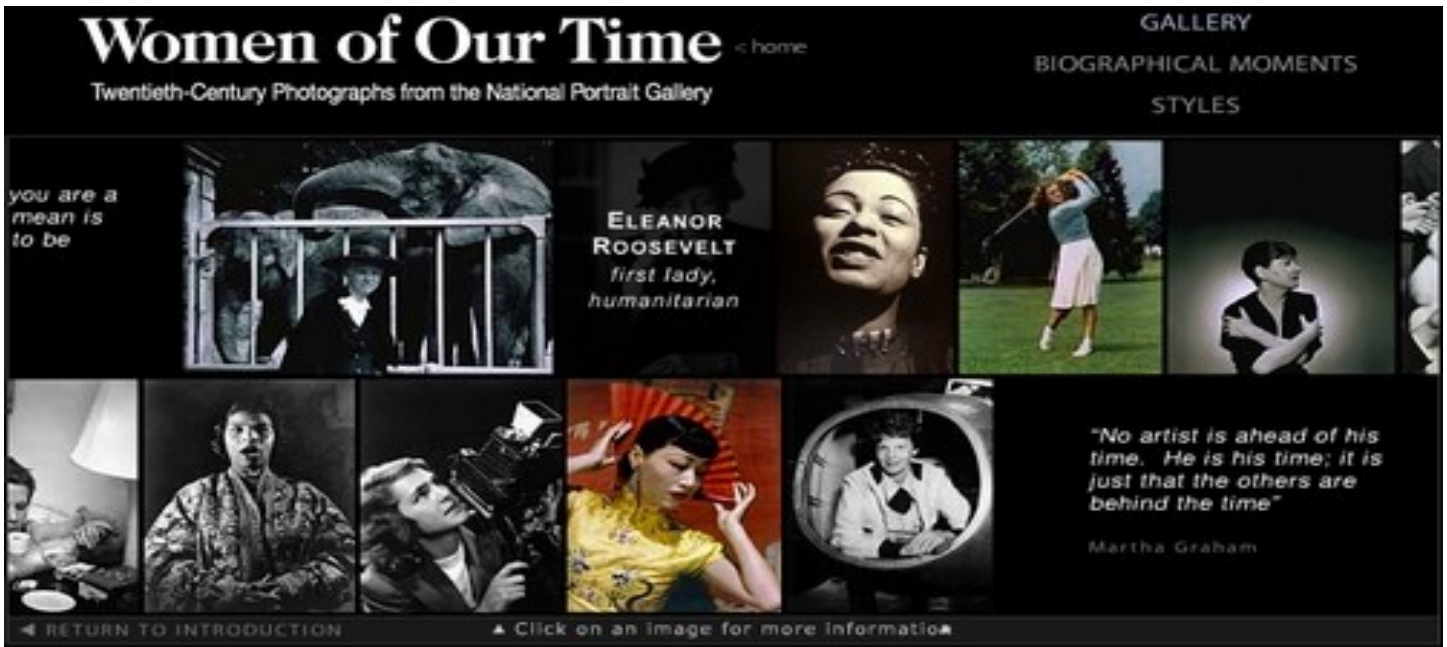
Hillary Clinton receives almost 18,000,000 votes for president, more than any other woman candidate in history.







## INFOGRAPHIC RESOURCES



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## MAKERS Watch The Largest Collection Of Women's Stories



### Makers Online

Short videos offering stories and advice by successful American women

LINK: <http://www.makers.com/browse>